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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN PRESS ON FAHD-CARTER TALKS

1. LOCAL DAILIES TREAT FIRST DAY OF CROWN PRINCE FAHD'S TALKS WITH PRESIDENT CARTER IN STRAIGHT-FORWARD, RESTRAINED MANNER. WHILE AKHBAR STRESSES FAHD'S OPTIMISM IN WAKE OF CARTER'S RECENT ME COMMENTS AND GUMHURIYYA NOTES FRIENDLY RECEPTION FOR CROWN PRINCE, AHRAH COVERAGE DEVOTED ALMOST ENTIRELY TO POST-MEETING COMMENTS BY WHITE HOUSE PRESS SPOKESMAN POWELL ON ESTABLISHMENT OF PALESTINIAN HOMELAND.

2. ALTHOUGH AHRAH SLIGHTLY MISSTRANSLATES POWELL'S COMMENT THAT "THE PROCESS BY WHICH YOU WOULD REACH THE STAGE OF A SECURE HOMELAND FOR THE PALESTINIANS AND A SECURE STATE OF ISRAEL, WITH RECOGNIZED BOUNDARIES IN BOTH CASES, CERTAINLY WAS DISCUSSED (BY CARTER AND FAHD)", ARTICLE CITES REUTER VIEW THAT THIS FIRST  
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TIME WHITE HOUSE HAS MENTIONED RECOGNIZED BORDERS FOR PALESTINIANS. (COMMENT: AHRAH VERSION IS "THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING A PALESTINIAN HOMELAND WITH RECOGNIZED BORDERS AND A SECURE ISRAELI STATE WAS DISCUSSED".) AHRAH ALSO CITES POWELL COMMENT THAT RECOGNIZED BORDERS OF PALESTINIAN HOMELAND COULD INVOLVE EITHER PALESTINIAN STATE OR PALESTINIAN STATE (SIC) WITHIN JORDAN.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH AHARAM CLEARLY VIEWS POWELL STATEMENTS AS POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT, RESTRAINED TONE OF COVERAGE SUGGESTS THAT LOCAL PRESS HAS NOT YET BEEN BRIEFED BY GOE ON HOW TO TREAT DEVELOPMENTS DURING FAHD VISIT. GIVEN IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO SAUDI LINKS, GOE MAY BE WAITING FOR PRELIMINARY SAUDI REACTIONS TO FAHD-CARTER TALKS BEFORE PUTTING OUT PRESS GUIDANCE, IN ORDER TO HARMONIZE EGYPTIAN AND SAUDI PUBLIC REACTIONS TO FAHD'S VISIT.  
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